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Brophy College

More Land Donated

Mrs. Brophy recently gave the college an additional strip of land 150 feet in width and extending the entire length of the college property. This adds five more acres to the 25 which she gave in the beginning.

Dramatics

Under the direction of Father George G. Fox, "The Private Secretary" was presented at the Phoenix Union high school auditorium December 11. Friends of the college organized a group of 100 workers to help in selling the tickets.

Fr. Geale

Father John C. Geale of the Maryland-New York province, who for the past year has been in St. Joseph's hospital in Phoenix, suffered a severe set-back a few weeks ago, but has recovered considerably since then. Brother James Shepherd has returned from the hospital where he had an operation for sinus trouble.

El Retiro

From Oakland and east bay cities 430 men gathered for a layman's retreat dinner December 3; no hotel dining room in Oakland was large enough, so they chose the Elks' club. Father Zacheus Maher gave an address on retreats.

Father Joseph Stack will attend the national laymen's retreat convention to be held during the first week in January at the Detroit seminary.

Hollywood

More than 500 parishioners took part in the automobile pilgrimage November 10 from the Blessed Sacrament church, Hollywood, to the Los Angeles cathedral to gain the jubilee.

Public prayers for rain were ordered in the Los Angeles diocese November 24. California had had no rain since June.

Los Angeles

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

Military Cup Won

Military officials presented a cup to the Loyola R. O. T. C. for their excellent showing in the annual Armistice day military review.

Debate Before Bankers

Loyola high school debaters debated before a group of 30 Orange County bankers at a dinner in Santa Anna in November. The bankers requested the teams to come again as soon as a new question could be prepared.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Bus Line Discontinued

The bus line which was extended to Loyola from Culver City at the beginning of the school year has been discontinued due to the fact that nearly all the students come to the university in their own machines. It is estimated that 200 automobiles are driven to the campus daily by students.

Sodality Reception

A general reception of the student body into the League of the Sacred Heart by Father George Butler, chaplain, followed the mass celebrated by Rev. Father Provincial November 26.

Catholic Social Service

Father Joseph Sullivan has recently reorganized the Loyola council of the St. Vincent de Paul society. In past years the council was very active, its members visiting the various centers in the city each week, teaching the Mexican children catechism and rendering assistance to Catholic inmates at the county hospital.

Los Gatos New Arrivals

Two more scholastic novices, one lay-Brother postulant and one new

junior have arrived at Los Gatos during the past month.

The scholastic novices, Patrick Kelly and Walter Schmidt, from San Francisco, entered December 6. Jacinto Aventura from Hollywood began the lay-Brother postulantship November 4.

Brother John Healy, first year Junior, who finished his novitiate in Ireland last September, reached Los Gatos November 4. He was born in Kanturk, Co., Cork; attended St. Colman's College in Fermoy, Co., Cork.

New Pipe Line

A 2,000 foot line of 2-inch galvanized pipe is being installed under the direction of Brother Coony from the creek to Villa Joseph. The old pipe line was corroded.

Gonzaga Students Make All-Night Vigil

When word came from the Sacred Heart hospital at 6:30 p. m. December 1, that Wayne Shields, Gonzaga football player, was dying of pneumonia and that the doctor did not expect him to live through that night, Father Sharp, Gonzaga chaplain, phoned to Desmet hall to Father Duce, prefect of discipline, and suggested that the students make an all-night vigil in the chapel. Tim O'Leary, a member of the squad, who was in Father Duce's office when the message arrived, offered to fill the list of volunteers for the adoration. The names of volunteers poured in, among them being even the non-Catholic members of the football squad.

The students, in groups of three or four, spent the night in half-hour vigils before the Blessed Sacrament, from 7 o'clock that evening until 5:30 next morning. Bill Frasier and George McLean, Protestant football stars, and several others volunteered for an hour's adoration.

Father Keep spent the night with Shields in the hospital, since the young man had asked to be baptized if it were certain that he was going to die. He said that if there was

a probability of his recovering, he wished to wait and receive full instruction before baptism.

Benediction in Thanksgiving

The next morning there was a marked improvement in his condition and the following morning he was declared out of danger. Three days later on Friday, December 6, the entire Gonzaga student body gathered in the chapel at 2:30 p. m. for solemn benediction in thanksgiving for his recovery. Father Sharp gave a short sermon on gratitude to God.

Bishop at Retreat Closing

Bishop Charles White of Spokane celebrated the mass at the closing of the Gonzaga students' retreat December 13 in the students' chapel. He distributed more than 400 communions. Father Joseph Stack conducted the retreat for the students of the college and of third and fourth high. In the retreat for the first and second high students, one instruction was given by each of the following: Fathers Patrick O'Reilly, Edwin Sprague, Joseph Balfe and James Liden; Father Curtis Sharp gave the rest of the instructions.

Students Lecture on Mass

Four of the college sodalists, accompanied by Father Sharp, went to

Chewelah, Washington, early in December to give an illustrated lecture on the Mass in the parish hall.

Fr. Rebman in Hospital

Father Rebman has been in the Sacred Heart hospital suffering from stomach trouble since the middle of November. He is now feeling fairly well.

Mt. St. Michael's

Fr. Dinand Gives Retreat

Father Augustus Dinand conducted the eight-day retreat preceeding the feast of the Immaculate Conception for the lay-Brothers at Mt. St. Michael's. The retreat was also made by Father Lajoie from Pendleton, Brother Rodi from DeSmet, Brother Sorisio from St. Ignatius, Montana, Brother Hagen from Colville, and Brother Mandala from St. Andrew's mission.

Father Dinand also gave the scholastics' triduum.

Missoula

Fr. Mullen Recovered

Father Cornelius Mullen after prolonged illness returned from St. Patrick's hospital November 12 and resumed his work as principal of the Loyola high school the following week, relieving Father Hugh Geary of two classes a day. Father Bennett has taken over the chaplaincy of both the Northern Pacific and St. Patrick's hospitals in Missoula.

Parish Bazaar

A parish bazaar, which netted \$2,300, was held in the Loyola gymnasium November 5 to 7. The proceeds are to be used to pay for textbooks and to defray part of the debt on the new St. Francis Xavier parochial school building.

Port Townsend

Father John F. Hayes is minister at Port Townsend. Father Cardon is undergoing treatment at Providence hospital, Seattle. Father John Balfe has also been in Providence hospital for several weeks for examination and treatment under Dr. George Miller.

Father Ambrose Sullivan, Port Townsend superior, assisted Father Keenan of Vancouver, B. C., in conducting the Forty Hours there November 15 to 17.

St. Clare's Church

Many Communions

From 600 to 800 boys and girls receive holy communion every first Friday at the childrens' mass in St. Clare's church, Santa Clara. All three Masses are very well attended on first Fridays, and large numbers go to communion.

"Jesuit Mission" Subscriptions

"Our success with subscribers to 'Jesuit Missions' was through talks at the Sunday Masses and by a kind word to individuals," wrote Father Culligan in answer to our inquiry about the method he had followed in obtaining so many subscriptions.

Sodality Increase

Fifty new members were enrolled in the St. Clare's parish sodalities at the close of the novena held in honor of the Immaculate Conception, which was very well attended by the sodalists.

St. Ignatius College

Debate With St. Mary's

No decision was given in the debate between the sophomore teams of St. Ignatius and St. Mary's colleges in the St. Ignatius auditorium November 5 on the question: Resolved that Great Britain has fulfilled her obligations in Palestine.

Debate With Santa Clara

The dual debate between St. Ignatius college and Santa Clara university November 14 was on the question: Resolved that the state of California will benefit by the construction of the proposed line of the Great Northern and Western Pacific railroads from Klamath Falls to Keddle.

Since this question is now being considered by the Interstate Commerce commission, the discussion was made a non-decision debate.

Debate With U. C.

The debate between St. Ignatius college and the university of California was held in the St. Ignatius college auditorium December 3 on the question: Resolved that the United States should institute a system of federal unemployment agencies and unemployment insurance. St. Ignatius upheld the negative side. We have not yet heard the decision.

December Preachers

During the annual retreat of the gentleman's sodality December 1 to 6 the following conferences were given: December 1—The Sodalist and his destiny—Father C. A. Buckley; December 2—Efforts and Failures—Father W. E. Semaria; December 3—The Account of His Stewardship—Father A. J. Cody; December 4—His Advocate, the Blessed Virgin—Father J. H. McCumiskey; December 5—The Sodalist and Christ His King—Father T. J. Flaherty; December 6—The Sodalist and His Eternal Reward—Father E. J. Whelan.

The preachers in the church for Sundays in December are as follows: December 1 — Fathers V. V. White and R. A. Gleeson; December 8—Fathers E. J. Whelan and T. J. Flaherty; December 15—Fathers C. F. Carroll and J. J. Cunningham; December 22—Fathers J. McCumiskey and H. Walsh; December 29 —Fathers A. I. Whelan and J. J. Conlon.

Father J. T. Morton preached the sermon at the first Friday devotions December 6. Father J. Malaise will preach the sermon at the exercises of the Bona Mors confraternity December 27. Father J. L. Taylor will preach the closing sermon of the year at the solemn benediction December 31.

Dramatics

The St. Ignatius College Players staged their second production of the season, "Stop! Go!" a comedy drama, in the college little theatre November 20, 21, 22 and 23 under the auspices of the St. Ignatius College Development association. Their first production, "Quien Sabe," was a great success.

San Jose: St. Mary's

Father Henry Busch, pastor of St. Mary's church, San Jose, had considerable improvements made in the school and church during the past summer. The school was painted inside and out, and the front of the church, which is of stone, was sandblasted and looks like new.

Santa Clara University Debate With California

No decision was given in the dual debate November 15 between the

Santa Clara house of phillistarians and the university of California sophomores. The entire California team was made up of co-eds.

New Hall to be Built

Construction is being begun on a new \$250,000 dormitory building for the lay professors and students to relieve the congestion in Kenna and O'Connor halls. The new hall will accommodate 175 and is to be finished by next August. It will harmonize in design with the other buildings on the campus. H. C. Miller, who has built the Santa Clara mission, the Ricard Memorial Observatory and other Santa Clara buildings, has charge of the construction. Situated on the west side of the campus between the service building and the Montgomery laboratories, the new hall will replace the old wooden freshman building, which was recently razed and which was one of the oldest of Santa Clara's landmarks.

Fr. Ricard in News Reel

Statewide interest in weather forecasts, due to the prolonged California drought, brought a camera man from the Paramount studios to the Santa Clara campus December 5 to take movies of Father Jerome Ricard with the observatory as a background.

The "Padre of the Rains" predicted the mid-December rains have ended the drought in the Pacific northwest, and he predicted that the California drought would end soon.

Dramatics

A large crowd attended the two short plays, "Winning an Heiress" and "Blood o' Kings," presented by the Santa Clara freshmen and sophomores in the university auditorium November 26.

Requiem Services

At the solemn requiem mass for the deceased members of the faculty and student body in the mission chapel November 8, Father Cornelius McCoy was celebrant; Father Hugh Donavon, deacon; Mr. Alfred Johnson, subdeacon. Father Francis Seeliger, socius to the master of novices at Los Gatos, preached the sermon. The university choir, under the direction of Mr. Leo Gaffney, sang the mass.

Seattle College

Thieves

Thieves visited the Seattle high school building Thanksgiving night, broke into Father Dennis Sullivan's office, forced open the drawers of his desk, went away empty handed.

Painting from Mr. Simons

The Seattle college Philomatheia club received an oil painting of the Immaculate Conception last month from Mr. Simons in Shanghai, as a mark of appreciation from our missionaries in China for the gift of \$100 sent them by the Philomatheia club shortly before Christmas last year.

Seattle: St. Ignatius

First Mass in New Parish

The first Mass in the new St. Ignatius parish log-cabin church in the fir grove on the Seattle College new property was celebrated by Father Robert V. Burns, pastor, at 9 a. m. Sunday, November 24. Father Burns had announced that the cabin could accommodate 50 persons; over 125 crowded into the place, knelt in the doorway and on the porch in the cold fog. The sermon, which began with the words, "The groves were God's first temples," was punctuated by the crack of burning logs in the fireplace.

Old Friends Attend

Besides the comparatively large number of people from the new district, many persons were present from the Immaculate Conception parish several miles across the city, where Father Burns was formerly pastor. Girls from the Immaculate high school provided the singing at the Mass and benediction; having no organ, they used a violin.

New Ford Donated

Though there was but one Mass on the opening Sunday, the collection was \$70, besides \$5 for stipends. Two ladies gave Father Burns \$550 to buy a Ford sedan; one gave \$450 and the other \$100. Old friends of his brought articles worth several hundred dollars, supplying practically everything needed for the services.

Equipment Installed

The people were well pleased with the rustic cabin church, which had been remodeled by Brothers Mc-

Guire and Murphy and had been cleaned and decorated by the women of the parish. The pews were those discarded when new furniture was installed last summer in the boys' chapel at Seattle college. The large statue of St. Ignatius Father Burns brought from the domestic chapel at the Immaculate rectory. Brother McGuire erected a large cross over the door. The Puget Sound Light & Power company connected the cabin with electricity from the wires on Thirty-fifth Avenue, N. E. An electrician installed fixtures in the church, the upstairs rooms and the vestibule porch.

Sisters' Generous Offer

Eight Sisters from the Immaculate parish school were present at the first Mass. Holy Names Sisters have offered to come every Sunday from either the Immaculate or the Holy Names Academy to teach catechism in the new parish. As soon as he has the parish organized Father Burns plans to accept their generous offer and also to have them train the altar boys to serve Mass. He hopes to have daily Mass at the cabin very soon.

Parish Census

He held a meeting of his parishioners at 8 p. m. Wednesday, November 27, to discuss plans for taking a complete census of the district, to arrange hours for the two Sunday Masses convenient for bus service, and to consider the many problems involved in organizing a new parish. The district, thought at present sparsely settled, is in a part of Seattle that has been growing rapidly. The city is moving in that direction.

Seattle: St. Joseph's

New Church Begun

Construction began on the new St. Joseph's church October 28 and has progressed rapidly. The church will seat 1,000 persons. There will be a full basement divided into a winter chapel with a seating capacity of 500, and a hall. The heating plant will be installed in a sub-basement on the Nineteenth avenue side.

The building is to be of reinforced concrete, with a veneer of gun-shot stucco. It is of modified Gothic architecture and will be attractively finished inside and out. The contractor is Mr. Bellinger. According

to the contract, construction should be finished by next June.

Parish Boys' School

In the St. Joseph's parochial school 250 boys are enrolled this year. They are taught by eight Sisters of the Holy Names. The girls of the parish attend the Holy Names academy, which is a few blocks distant from the church.

Tacoma

Jewelry Given for Chalice

More than 1,600 articles of jewelry of every description, donated by more than 500 individuals in response to an appeal by Father John McAstocker last Easter, made possible a beautiful new chalice destined for use in our new chapel at Bellarmine. The chalice has just been completed by Merrick and Race, local jewelers, involving 504 hours of labor.

The cup of the chalice is of burnished gold and is encircled by a filigree of Celtic design. Toward the base of the cup is a platinum cross encrusted with 16 large diamonds; the central diamond, a large and beautiful gem, is the gift of Cleo O'Brien, a senior at Bellarmine high school. The stem is of gold ore from Alaska. On the base of the chalice is an ivory cameo picture of our Lady of Monserrat and below this a wreath of gold nuggets from Alaska and Montana circles the base. Around the outer rim of the base is engraved the dedication "Sanguinis Domini Nostri Jesu Christi Custodiat in Vitam Aeternam Animas Benefactorum Nostrorum."

About 200 men received communion at the memorial mass of the Holy Name society Sunday, Novem-

ber 10, which was followed by a breakfast and meeting.

Parish Requiem Services

After the recitation of the Office of the Dead on All Souls day for the departed parishioners of St. Leo's, Father Francis Gleeson gave a sermon on the obligation of remembering our deceased relatives. This was the first time such services have been held at St. Leo's and the people were very much pleased.

Father Timothy A. Driscoll preached the novena in honor of the Immaculate Conception in St. Leo's church.

Statue Donated

A beautiful, life-sized statue of St. Anthony has recently been given St. Leo's by an anonymous donor. The interior of the church has recently been calcimined and the statues painted.

Road Built Gratis

A new road, almost a mile long and of four per cent grade, now winds up to Bellarmine in a way similar to the road at Mt. St. Michael's, connecting the school with the Union highway. It is the gift of Frank McHugh, local contractor, and entailed two weeks work with his steam shovel and trucks.

Recommended to a local engineer as one of the most promising of those who took the civil service examinations last spring, Phil Dolan, a student in fourth high at Bellarmine, was approached by the engineer regarding a job, which he refused as he wished to finish school. The engineer expressed surprise that a boy not yet out of high school should be so highly recommended by the civil service commission.

The Missions of the Province

China

Ricci College Staff

Besides the three Jesuits, Fathers Moore, Lennon and Roberfroid, Ricci college, Nanking, has five Chinese secular teachers for history, physics, Chinese and mathematics. The students are divided into three grades, and altogether number 83. Classes are held every day except Sunday,

with half a day on Saturday.

Chapel or Garage?

Under Father Moore's direction the small college chapel (which Father McGreal on his visit mistook for the garage) is being enlarged to double its capacity. Besides a gathering of 20 or more students and servants, a small group of "foreign-

ers" comes to Mass on Sundays and holy days.

Since the Nanking church is far removed from the district where the foreign population of about 100 live, the college chapel helps to encourage attendance at Sunday Mass. Father Lennon says the early Mass for the servants and Father Moore the 8 o'clock Mass.

California Mission District

Father Moore wrote October 27: "The mission district of the California province has been practically determined, with Nanking as the center and most important city, though there are some more populous cities within a small radius. Though Father John Lennon and myself are already in the field, one readily sees that we are only "spectators" as yet, unable to take over the management both for lack of knowledge of the language and because we are but two in a harvest field of many millions of souls—The most densely populated region of all China is this very mission."

Ancient and Modern Capital

Nanking, made capital of the new republic in 1928, was the ancient capital of the South (Nan, southern; King, capital), as Peking was of the North. Having become the seat of government in 1368 when the first Ming emperor began his rule, it remained the capital for only 50 years. The founder of the Ming dynasty is buried there in an elaborate, red, walled tomb at the foot of Purple mountain, on the slopes of which the first president of China, Sun Yat Sen, is buried in a huge and magnificent mausoleum dedicated last June.

Old Chinese Wall

The 600-year-old crenellated Nanking walls, 7 to 15 feet wide, 35 feet high, in places festooned with vines, winding for 24 miles through the valley and over the hills of the city, are surrounded for two-thirds of the way around the city with water-filled moats. Houses do not cover the whole of the extensive area within the walls; large tracts are used for gardening.

To Be Gem of the Orient

Nanking has few modern buildings but plans are being carried out to make it one of the most beautiful capitals of the Orient. An American engineer, Henry K. Murphy, with

several other Americans, are directing the buildings of the city and the making of streets.

Northern Alaska

Frs. Durgan and Prange

Father John Durgan, entering northern Alaska for the first time, travelled by freight train from Fairbanks to Nenana September 23, whence he voyaged for three days on the gasoline tug "Mildred" down the Tanana and Yukon rivers. His fellow passengers were Pilot Frank Kerns, two Eskimo boys and a young man from Wisconsin going to join a rich uncle in Ruby. The menu was sausages, coffee and burnt toast three times a day.

When the tug tied up to the bank at night, Father Durgan slept rolled up in a wolf-hide robe in a little bunk over the engine, using his coat wrapped around a log for a pillow.

At Ruby, 100 miles above Nulato, two Indians and five malamutes or Alaskan dogs joined the party.

Wonderful Record

At Kuyakuk Father Francis Prange, Nulato superior, who had been visiting a dying Indian in that village, boarded the tug. The Nulato missionaries attend all the Indian villages from Nulato to Tanana. Although these two towns are 300 miles apart and in winter it takes several days to make the journey by dog team, Father Durgan writes that there is no case on record where the sick person died before the missionary arrived.

"Ho, Fader!"

The new missionary landed at Nulato September 26 amid the flutter of three weeks wash hanging on the line for flags and bunting. The Indians gathered at the wharf and greeted him joyfully: "Ho, Fader! Ho, Fader! You come to stay?"

Moose Steak

The Sisters of St. Ann had prepared a supper for the two missionaries, which Father Durgan, after his three-days sausage diet, called a delicious feast: Moose steak, potatoes, bread, butter and coffee, with a little dessert at the end.

In a Log House

The Sisters' house, the school, the church and the missionaries' residence are four log houses along the

river front at the edge of the village. The Sisters' house, the school and the church are veneered with painted boards and present a neat appearance, but the Fathers' house is of rough logs, old and unsightly. If they can save enough money, they hope to build a new residence next year.

Mosquitoes or Airplanes?

Father Durgan's room is 7 feet high, 8 feet wide and 15 feet long; it contains a bed, a table, two chairs, a box for a washstand and a bigger box with shelves for a bookcase. Two double-paned windows 28 inches square are nailed down both winter and summer, to keep out the cold in winter and the mosquitoes in summer. A round hole in the wall, a little bigger than a dollar, supplies the fresh air. Last summer the mosquitoes ate out the eyes of some of the village dogs, and ate off the noses of others; they were so numerous that their buzzing resembled the droning of an airplane.

How Missionaries Live

Fathers Prange and Durgan live upstairs, with a little space between their rooms which they dignify with the name of library. Next to Father Durgan's room is a shop containing all sorts of odds and ends, from old moccasins to chunks of bacon hanging from the ceiling. Outside Fa-

ther Prange's room is a large stove and several sets of dog harness. The three rooms downstairs are the woodshed, the general repair shop, and a large room containing dog sleds from 9 to 14 feet long, and 2,500 pounds of smoked salmon in 50 pound bales—Alaskan dog biscuit.

Indians, Not Eskimos

The Nulato mission district, which is larger than the state of Washington, contains about 1,500 Ten'ah Indians, who belong to the same race as the American Indians. There are only half a dozen Eskimo families in this area, for the Eskimos inhabit the lower Yukon and the Alaska coast districts.

Dogtown

In the village of Nulato there are about 300 Indians—54 families when all are home from the hunt. Every family has from 5 to 42 dogs. The 500 dogs are kept tied up just out of one another's reach along the muddy river bank in front of the town. There is a deafening chorus at feeding time.

The town occupies about a city block, and the houses are scattered helter skelter in it. The main street, which runs in front of the shacks that face the river, is a dilapidated sidewalk.

22 Hours of Darkness

To the east and south beyond the Yukon one sees only the horizon; north and west of Nulato rise hills thickly covered with stunted spruce. In winter the sun peeps above the horizon for only two hours a day, from 11 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Six Latin Masses

The Indian congregation sang the high Mass celebrated by Father Durgan September 29. The Alaska Indians have rich, beautiful voices. Congregational singing was inaugurated at Nulato about a quarter of a century ago by Sister M. Winifred, and the work was continued by Sister M. Ralph. Both of these Sisters are now at the parish school in Port Angeles, Wash. The Nulato Indians are able to sing six different Latin Masses.

Fr. Durgan's Triumph

During Father Durgan's first sermon at Nulato he found it hard to shout down the voices of the Indian

Fr. O'Reilly's Generosity

Father Patrick O'Reilly recently gave the editor \$5 to assist in defraying the great expense of publishing the Province News. Another contribution of \$5 was sent us by an anonymous benefactor.

The printing and mailing of the October issue cost \$50. At that rate the Province News would cost \$500 a year. Since the total contributions thus far received amount to only \$21, we have had to omit several hundred lines of news in the November and December issues to hold down expenses.

While we are grateful for the words of appreciation we have received from our readers, we shall be much more grateful for the more substantial appreciation which we hope the Christmas spirit will inspire.

babies. "However," he remarks, "when the contest got very hot, the mothers—God bless them—snatched the loudest outside and left me in triumph."

Beautiful Malamutes

Seven of the mission's 12 beautiful dogs were brought home from their summer pasture October 6. Since the dogs are not used in the summer months, it is cheaper to pay an Indian to take care of them. The dogs thrive on the diet of fish heads and entrails which the Indians give them. One of the mission's dogs, a Siberian, was the mainstay of the team that won the Alaska dog race two years ago; the rest are malamutes.

Indian Missions

St. Joseph's Mission

Fr. Neate's Golden Jubilee

To honor Father Thomas Neate on the occasion of his golden jubilee in the Society, the Sisters and children of St. Joseph's mission school are planning a celebration for January 15. Father Neate entered the Society January 13, 1880; he belongs to the Missouri province, and has labored more than 30 years in our northwestern missions.

School Wins Prizes

St. Joseph's school carried off first prize for general school work and 20 individual prizes for school work, manual training and sewing at the annual County Corn Show and School Exhibit held at Culesac, Idaho, in October. The school is conducted by four Sisters of St. Joseph of Cordolet, one of whom, Sister M. Dolores, recently received her Ph. B. degree from Gonzaga university; another, Sister M. Agnes, received her teacher's diploma from Lewiston state normal.

Father Neate has recently reorganized the Blessed Virgin's sodality with a membership of 67 Indian boys and girls.

St. Andrew's Mission

Armistice Day Program

Practically the entire Umatilla tribe and a large crowd of Whites from Pendleton gathered at St. Andrew's mission on Armistice day for the flag raising ceremonies. A procession of school children marched

about 200 yards from the mission school to the church; two rows of Indian girls holding a large American flag spread out between them proceeded to the front of the church where Father J. T. Corbett, superior of St. Andrew's mission, blessed the flag. The procession then continued from the church to the flag pole; all sang "America"; the school children sang a hymn of thanks; Judge James Alger Fee of the circuit court gave an address; the Indian Boy Scouts of the school gave a military drill, directed by Maurice E. Finn, layteacher and prefect; the children sang "We'll Rally Round the Flag"; Willard Bond, Round-Up Indian director, gave an address; Chief Bad Roads gave a response; the Indian children gave a pantomime; everybody sang the "Star Spangled Banner" and then returned to the church for Benediction.

Thanksgiving Celebration

Another gala day was held at St. Andrew's mission on Thanksgiving day. It brought to the mission a huge gathering of Catholic, Protestant and pagan Indians, and again brought the mission work to the notice of the Pendleton public.

Included in the program were memorial services for the late Capt. Sumkin, beloved chief of the Umatilla Indians. There was also an Indian football game. Father Corbett writes: "The football game was a corker with plenty of thrills and no uniforms."

The following is the complete program of the day:

7:00 a. m. Sunrise salute to the Cross and Memorial High Mass. School choir.

9:00 a. m. Salute to the flag and reading of President Hoover's message.

9:15 a. m. Indian tribal morning prayer. Harvest Festival thanksgiving hymn. Prayer for U. S. authorities. Address by Father J. T. Corbett. Benediction. "Te Deum."

10:00 a. m. St. Andrew's boy Scout manoeuvres under direction of Maurice E. Finn. School children's field day exercises.

12:00 noon. Indian inter-tribal banquet in the "Long House." Hospitality lunch for pale-face guests in the "Administration Building."

1:00 p. m. Capt. Sumkin memorial demonstration.

1:30 p. m. School children's field day exercises. Alumni football game, "Reds v. Ruddies"—prize: a live turkey.

3:30 p. m. Red Cross message and rally.

Holy Family Mission

The children at Holy Family mission sang the "Missa de Angelis" for the first time this year on the feast of All Saints. Father Soer was celebrant of the mass. Since then they have been having high mass every Sunday.

Thumb-Print Expert

During November the Indians received their lease checks in payment for the land they had leased for range purposes. Father Dumbeck had to write out over 50 of these checks, ranging from 7 cents to \$25. Besides issuing the checks, the mission is also called upon to cash them. Father Dumbeck says that he is becoming quite a thumb-print expert, as many of the Indians who cannot write indorse their checks with a tumb mark.

Sun Worship

A considerable amount of sun worship is practised by some of the older Indians on the reservation. On the prairie may often be seen what appears to be part of a scarecrow on top of a 15 foot pole. These are in fact offerings to the sun, and usually consist of a good overshirt. Many of the younger generation avail themselves of the opportunity to get possession of the shirts, the old people believing all the while that the sun has taken them. Other ceremonies connected with sun worship are held periodically at home. A bundle of beaver and other small animal skins is kept tied up in a special way; then from time to time the Indians untie the skins, hold them up in front of them and dance around the lodge.

He Brought the Body

"I brought his body," said the big Indian who had called Father Dumbeck to the door on a recent Saturday night. To the mystified missionary the Indian repeated in various ways, "I brought his body, his body is here." And at last after much questioning the Indian confided that the body was that of Louis Owl-Child, who had died at the hospital

that morning, and whom Mrs. Louis Owl-Child wanted buried the next day. Father Dumbeck had anointed him a week earlier. Since the next day was Sunday, after much deliberation it was decided to put the body in the postoffice until after the late mass.

Father Soer conducted the funeral ceremonies in the church. Father Dumbeck rode with Brother Johnson on the front seat of the mission truck, which served as a hearse. The pall-bearers and all the Indians who could crowd on rode in the back with the coffin. At the grave Mrs. Owl-Child shrieked and went into hysterics; the large crowd took up the cry, pandemonium reigned, and the wailing could be heard for a mile for a long time afterwards.

DeSmet Mission

St. Cecilia Banquet

Father Kugler, DeSmet superior, provided a banquet for the musicians after a recital given by the Indian convent girls on the eve of St. Cecilia's day. The table, with places for about 20, was set up in one of the convent parlors and most beautifully decorated by the Sisters. Many of the girls are quite proficient on the piano and violin.

Besides the ordinary subjects of the eight grade grammar school course, they are taught type-writing, drawing, sewing and house-keeping. Gold stars are placed on the monthly report cards of those who excel in conduct and housework. The girls have organized a literary club; at each meeting the books they have read during the week end are reported on and discussed.

Indian Girls Edit Paper

The Indian girls have been publishing an eight-page mimeographed monthly school paper since last September. They take great interest in the publication, which is quite well done; but they are not sure whether they will be able to continue it, since their \$75 second-hand mimeograph machine is not yet paid for. They are endeavoring to get the friends and benefactors of the school to subscribe for the paper at a dollar a year.

Father Owens Brings Pupils

There are 109 Indian children in

Jubilees in 1930

60 Years in the Society

Father J. Collins, Feb. 3.

50 Years in the Society

Father T. Neate, Jan. 13.

Brother F. Perrotin, Mar. 11.

Father G. Butler, June 22.

25 Years in the Society

Brother J. Mandala, Mar. 10.

Brother J. Perry, Apr. 2.

Father J. McElmeel, July 23.

Father A. Coghlan, July 29.

Father E. Whelan, Aug. 14.

Father J. McAstocker, Aug. 31.

Father C. McCoy, Aug. 31.

Brother P. Buskens, Sept. 26.

field made at the foot of the hill about 300 yards from the mission. There the Indian young men, graduates of the mission school, play every Sunday afternoon. This attracts practically the whole Coeur d'Alene tribe to the mission for Sundays, with the result that there is no difficulty about having them all present at mass. The tribe is practically 100 per cent Catholic.

The Indians are natural athletes, and their baseball team is usually victorious over the White teams from the towns for fifty miles around, and even over some of the "semi-pro" teams of Spokane. During the fall and winter the Indians play football and basketball.

Indians at Gonzaga

Two DeSmet graduates are in fourth year at Gonzaga high school in Spokane; one is Joseph Garry, descendant of Garry, head chief of the Spokanes in 1865 when Father Cataldo erected his first mission on Peone prairie ten miles northeast of the present site of Spokane; the other is Lawrence Nicodemus, a Coeur d'Alene, who went to Rome a few years ago in the Gonzaga delegation to the Aloysian pilgrimage. Both boys have honor ranking in their studies and are very popular among their fellow students.

When Nicodemus, who was unable to begin this school year on time, returned to Gonzaga late in October, he was given a great ovation by the students. Though he arrived in class only a short time before the quarterly examinations, he passed the test better than most of those who had been present throughout the term.

Father John Post

Father John Post, assistant at DeSmet, was a classmate at the Tournout apostolic school in Belgium of the famous Father Van der Schueren, missionary from India who has often toured the United States in the interest of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Maryland-New York

Father Patrick Brennan who died on October 13 at Georgetown hospital, Washington, D. C., was the oldest member of the Maryland-New York province. He was born in Queen's Co., Ireland, October 8,

the mission schools at DeSmet this year; 42 in the boys' school and 67 in the girls' convent. A number of the boys and about 25 of the girls were brought to DeSmet by Father Charles Owens from the Colville reservation nearly 200 miles further north. Practically all the Coeur d'Alene children are full-blooded Indians; several of the Colvilles are part white.

School Heavily in Debt

The convent conducted by the Sisters of Providence, is a three-story red brick building erected 20 years ago. The Sisters have not yet been able to pay off their \$50,000 debt. From the proceeds of their ranch and the gift of 15 to 20 cents per pupil per day from the Catholic Indian bureau in Washington, D. C., the Sisters are enabled in part to meet the interest on their debt and pay the school's running expenses.

To help make up the deficit they train the Indian girls to stage a number of entertainments during the year; large crowds of both Indians and whites from the surrounding country attend the plays.

Indian Assistant Prefect

In the DeSmet boys' school Mr. LeBihan, Breton layman, has been teacher and prefect for the past 17 years. This year for the first time an 18-year-old Indian has been made assistant prefect; he is a graduate of the DeSmet school and is one of the Finley family, which is well known at the Colville and St. Ignatius missions.

Indians Star Athletes

Father Kugler has had a fine ball

1844, and served as a drummer boy during the Civil War, in the Army of the Potomac, under Generals Grant and McClellan. He entered the Society September 17, 1870, and took his final vows February 2, 1888. His death, following what was regarded as only a minor operation, occurred just five days after his 85th birthday.

Father John O'Rourke, who died of cancer at St. Vincent's hospital, New York, on November 21, 1929, was widely known as a preacher and retreat-master both to Ours, religious, and especially to the secular clergy, to whom he gave retreats all over the East and even through the Middle West. He was for many years master of novices at Frederick, Md., and at St. Andrew-on-Hudson. In the absence of their Instructor he twice gave the Long Retreat to the tertians. He was rector of Brooklyn College and first rector of St. Andrew's, and was the author of a number of devotional books.

Father Francis X. A. Byrne, who died at St. Francis' Hospital, N. Y., November 25, 1929, was well known both in Albany, near which city he was born, and in Manila, where he was for a time Rector of the Ateneo. He assumed the post on April 7, 1922, and became very friendly with Governor Leonard Wood, and had much influence in Manila. Owing to poor health he returned to the United States in 1925, and in 1926 he took over the care of the Martyrs' shrine at Auriesville, N. Y., and the editorship of the shrine's periodical, "The Pilgrim."

Father Francis A. Tondorf, 59, was found dead in his room at Georgetown University on November 29, beside a desk on which lay two open volumes on earth disturbances, a field in which he was one of the recognized authorities of the world. He had been suffering recently from high blood-pressure, and a heart attack is believed to have caused his death. Father Tondorf, assigned to study earthquakes as a young man, showed great aptitude, and for years was director of the university's seismological laboratory. At the time of the great Japanese earthquake of 1923, Father Tondorf had told the Associated Press fifteen hours before the first cable message came that there was a very severe

disturbance about 6000 miles from Washington and that probably Japan was near the center of the zone.

New Orleans

Loyola University—The registration at Loyola university, New Orleans, on October 24, totalled 1081, distributed as follows: Arts and sciences, 199; law, 107; dentistry, 105; pharmacy, 72; night extension, 186; night commerce and finance, 147; Saturday extension, 265. Obligatory courses in religious instruction have been extended from the arts and sciences department to all the professional courses. The Loyola radio station is broadcasting a series of Sunday evening lectures by Father W. Burk, on the authenticity, genuinity, and historicity of the Gospels.

Boys' Retreats—One hundred and seven boys from all parts of southwestern Louisiana gathered at Grand Coteau, the Novitiate of the New Orleans province, recently to lay plans for week-end retreats during the present school year. They gathered in groups according to schools, and the leaders of the groups chose the dates for their retreat. All retreats will begin on Friday and end on Monday morning.

Deaths in the Provinces Of The United States

Brother John B. Gerber, November 10, Buffalo, N. Y. (Md.-N. Y.).

Father Joseph Rielag, November 19, Mundelein, Ill. (Chicago).

Father John H. O'Rourke, November 21, New York, N. Y. (Md.-N. Y.).

Father Augustus J. Duarte, November 22, Boston, Mass. (N. E.).

Father Edward Spillane, November 24, New York, N. Y. (Md.-N. Y.).

Father Francis X. A. Byrne, November 25, New York, N. Y. (Md.-N. Y.).

Father Hugh Finnegan, November 26, Milwaukee, Wis. (Mo.).

Father Francis A. Tondorf, November 29, Washington, D. C. (Md.-N. Y.).